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Submitted to the Chief Secretary with reference to the Second Member's remarks against the article entitled, "The Bangalore City Municipal Council and the Market Buildings" in the accompanying issue of the Vokkaligara Patrik of the 7th November 1928

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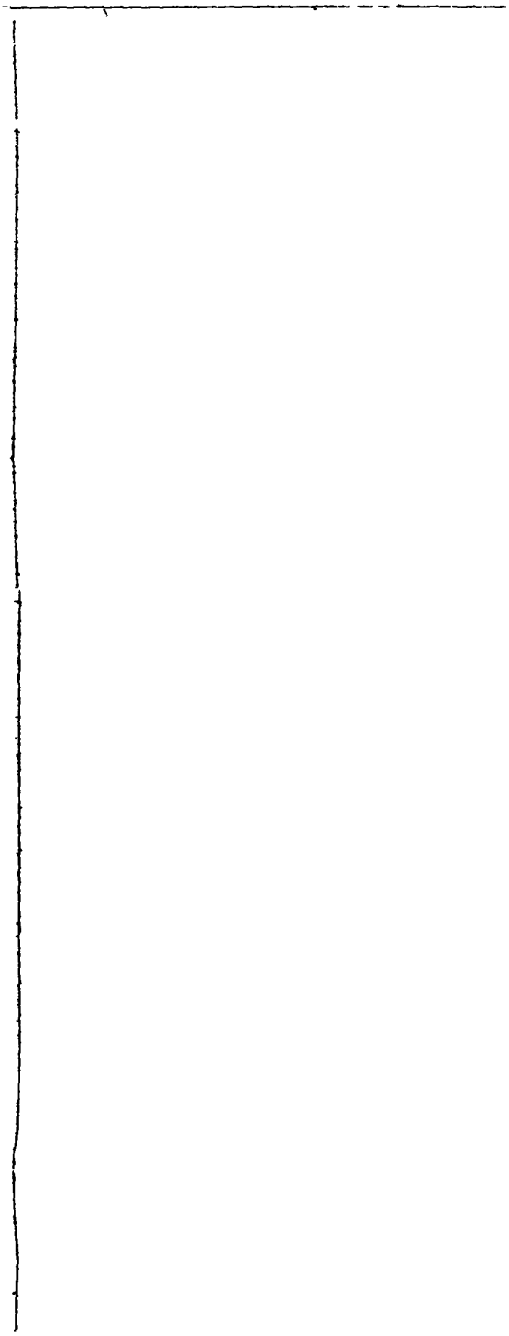

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2 It is the general practice to accept the lowest tender If the rates given in the lowest tender appear workable to the Engineer in charge, there is no objection to the acceptance of the same If the rates are too low, there is always the chance of work being scamped, however close the supervision as the engineering staff cannot always be on the works, bad work done may escape their notice So discretion should be used in coming to a decision in accepting the lowest tender

As regards the allegation that the work turned out is not being supervised carefully, I am not in a position to give any opinion

About the defects of which mention is made in the Article, it is not known to which blocks reference s made, but if the new Market is referred to, the work seems to be satisfactory

There is no necessity to appoint a Building Committee as suggested

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Ben Pol. may kindly
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remarks

Sec 'A'

27 FEB 1929
L S G BRANCH

Letter no B ms 651 of
11th March 1929 from the
President, Mandal Bangal
stating that these
remarks are very severe
and no defamable
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~~titled~~ "The Bangalore City Municipal Council and the "Buildings"

The City Market Buildings have it must be admitted, consumed a lot of the rate-payers' money and a large share of the government grants sanctioned from time to time for carrying on the improvement works in this premier City It is reported on all sides that the City Fathers of late, have been adopting what is known as a penny wise and pound foolish policy in the disposal of contracts They seem to make it a rule that the lowest tenderer should be recognised as the successful contractor This might appear on the surface to be a proper rule to follow, since by this course there is the chance of saving some of the Municipal funds but how about the quality of the work turned out? No attention seems to be paid to the soundness of substantial nature of the work Apparently it seems to be thought that every duty has been discharged if some saving has been effected The days when we had professional D P.W contractors who had a reputation to maintain have long since passed away Bricklayers, stonemasons quarry-men money lenders, firewood sellers and even milkmen seem now to be in the role of contractors under Municipal auspices There is evidently an impression abroad that nobody is very critical of the work done and from the nature of the buildings which have risen up in the market square the impression seems to be well founded. The question for consideration is who it is that is finally responsible for this state of affairs - the Municipal Commissioner of the Municipal President or the Municipal Councillors or the Municipal Engineer? When Sir K P Puttanna Chetty and Mr B K Garudachar held the office of Honorary Municipal President they were frequently visiting the works and examining the quality of the materials used by the contractors and the quality of the work turned out with the result that everything went on satisfactorily The blocks of buildings completed during their time can last for centuries It is doubtful whether the buildings constructed subsequently can last even for ~~se~~ decades We will point out in detail in a future issue the several ~~traced~~ ~~Government~~

could appoint a Committee of some building experts and call for a report from them In the meantime we strongly suggest that a building committee be appointed to be in charge of the works now under construction Till then the public cannot feel satisfied that the ratepayers' money is well spent

"Extract"

~~For Chief Secretary to Government~~

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To

The President,
The Municipal
Council Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith for your remarks an extract from the Vokkaligara Patrika dt 7th Nov 1928 under the heading "The Bangalore city municipal council and the market buildings"

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FROM

THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER
Presidency, CITY MUNICIPALITY
BANGALORE CITY

To

CHIEF SECRETARY
12 MAR 1929

[illegible] Chief Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. L 5097/1 214-28-2 dated 15th February 1929, forwarding for remarks an extract from the Northern Patrika dated the 7th November 1928, under the heading 'The Bangalore City Municipal Council and the Market Building', I have the honor to state that the remarks are of a very general nature and that they are not specific and refer to a particular work, no definite remarks can be offered

I have the honour to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Chairman